

Dear General Gehlen:

I have read with great interest your study, Gedanken zur Weltlage, dated 6 July. My senior intelligence officers and I have found it both stimulating and helpful to us in the difficult task of sketching trends over a long period ahead.

It had been my plan to send you in some detail my written comments, but since General Truscott has been here with us during the past week, I have had a chance to discuss your memorandum with him. Accordingly, he will be in touch with you on this and other matters upon his early return to Germany.

Sincerely yours,

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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General Reinhard Gehlen  
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